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Filing of nomination for 14 LS seats in State ends

V. Sreenivasa Prasad files papers at Ch'nagar

Mysuru, Mar. 26 (RK&DM)- Today being the last day for filing of nominations for 14 Lok Sabha seats in Southern half of the State, there was a frenzy for filing of papers.

The 14 LS seats going to polls on Apr. 18 are Mysuru-Kodagu, Mandya, Hassan, Chamarajanagar, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru Central, Bengaluru South, Bengaluru Rural, Tumakuru, Chikkaballapur, Dakshina Kannada, Udupi-Chikkamagalur, Chitradurga and Kolar.

The 14 other LS Constituencies in the Northern half of the State — Davanagere, Shivamogga, Ballari, Koppal, Kalaburagi, Bidar, Raichur, Haveri, Dharwad, Uttara Kannada, Vijayapura, Bagalkot, Belagavi and Chikkodi will go to polls on Apr. 23 and last date to file nomination is Apr. 4.

In Mysuru, two independent candidates (R. Mahesh and N. Nagesh) filed their nomination from Mysuru-Kodagu LS seat at the DC Office while BSP candidate Dr. B. Chandra filed his papers later this afternoon.

(See NOMINATION on page 9)

BJP's V. Sreenivasa Prasad, along with former Minister Kote M. Shivanna, Chamarajanagar District BJP President Prof. K.R. Mallikarjunappa and former ZP President M. Ramachandra, submitting his nomination to Deputy Commissioner B.B. Cauvery at Chamarajanagar this morning. *[See report on page 9]*

It's Tejasvi, NOT Tejaswini from Bengaluru South

Bengaluru, Mar. 26- Tejasvi Surya, a staunch RSS follower and BJP's last minute selection, filed his nomination from the prestigious Bengaluru South LS seat this noon after seeking blessings from Tejaswini, wife of late Union Minister H.N. Ananth Kumar and a ticket aspirant. ***[See also page 8]***

Tejasvi

Mysuru Travels Association
Founder-President passes away

Mysuru, Mar.26- S.P. Shanthinath (68), Founder-President, Mysuru Travels Association and a resident of Gokulam 9th Cross, passed away yesterday following a heart attack.

Shanthinath

He leaves behind his wife, a son, a daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Proprietor of Aries Tours & Travels, Jayalakshmipuram, Shanthinath was a Director of Bhoruka Aluminium in Metagalli.

Last rites were performed at Chirashanthidhama in Gokulam this morning.

PM Modi
in city on Apr. 7

Mysuru, Mar.26- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will address an election rally in Mysuru on Apr.7, said Senior BJP leader R. Ashoka in city yesterday.

Modi

Modi is expected to address huge rallies at seven places across Karnataka.

Jaya Prada joins BJP

New Delhi, Mar. 26 (UNI)- Actor-turned-politician and close associate of former Samajwadi Party leader Amar Singh, Jaya Prada joined BJP today and is likely to contest from Rampur LS seat in UP.

Jaya Prada

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Paying price as *penalty*

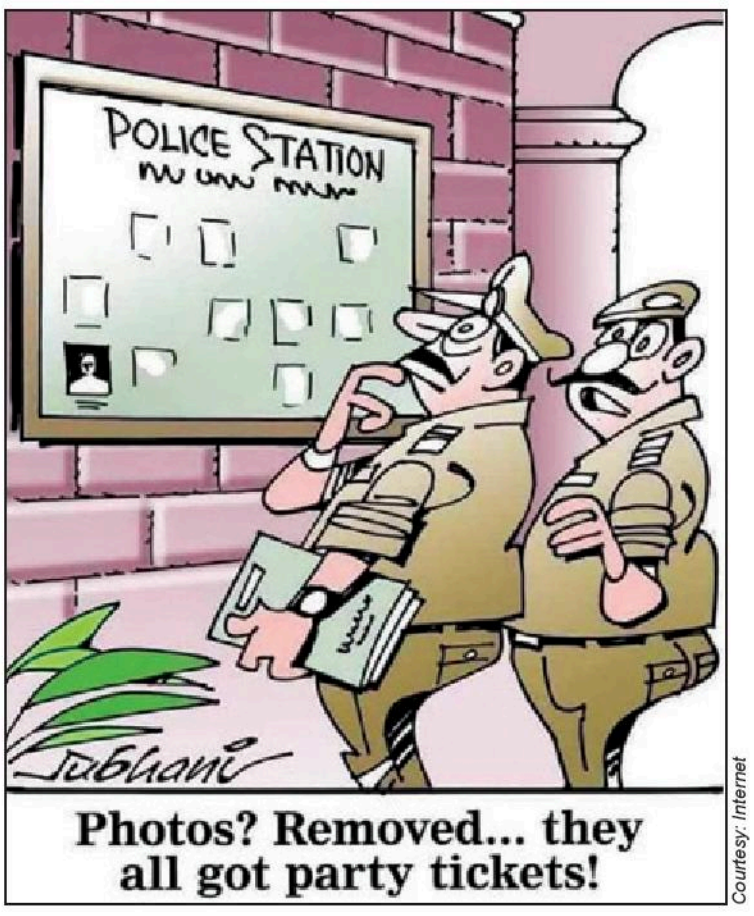
The air is abuzz with more and more people expressing their disenchantment about the soaring costs of medicare in general and the hospital bills in particular. A widely circulated broadsheet has just published a feature on the plight of patients under the eye-catching caption *Hospitals prefer profit over patients.* At the time of formally awarding the medical degree during the annual convocation of the Universities, doctors are exclusively administered the Hippocratic Oath requiring the Physicians to treat the ill to the *best* of one's *ability.* If the ability of a Physician to diagnose the illness and its underlying factors falls short of the purpose of seeking medicare, it calls for a detailed insight, pinpointing the shortcomings of the system of training doctors and focus on their rectification on the lines of treating illness.

In Mysuru of yesteryears with a headcount of residents less than half of what it is today, both the number of doctors and incidents of illness needing hospitalisation were a mere fraction of what they are in our times. Choice of medicines, before the ubiquitous antibiotics came, was *mercifully* limited. The few doctors of private clinics and Physicians in the two main hospitals then were sought by their *captive* families seeking medicare for their kin, known for their *hasthaguna.*

Medicare, in terms of the related infrastructure, services and professionals has witnessed a scenario in our times that bears no resemblance to what it used to be until just a few decades ago. Both government and private players have invested funds in considerable amounts to create state-of-the-art facilities particularly in urban spaces. The bone of contention that the tariff in privately managed hospitals is exorbitant to the extent of not being within the reach of families seeking medicare while the charges in Government Hospitals are within reasonable limits opens a debate on whether the *accusation* cited at the beginning of this column is rather harsh and untenable. The central point of the debate is that the revenue for Government Hospitals is sourced to public funds while that for private hospitals has to be met by families of patients.

Coming to the point, people struck by illness have to run to the Physician as a matter of expediency. Every would-be patient has to mull over the factor of neglecting the time-honoured do's and don'ts to be wary of factors causing illness. Not complying with the rules of the game of healthcare and forced to *spend* on medicare is not only the *price* of neglect but also a *penalty.*

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE



Photos? Removed... they all got party tickets!

Courtesy: Internet

NEWS SPARKLERS

Smoking when 17 and still going strong at 112

Nepal: A 112-year-old Nepalese woman who has been smoking 30 cigarettes a day for almost 95 years claims it's her daily habit that has helped her outlive almost everyone else in her village - and her own children. The woman, Batuli Lamichhane was born in March 1903 and took up smoking when she was 17 and has continued it for the last 95 years.

Despite her age, Batuli continues to be a chain smoker and smokes as many as 30 cigarettes a day. "I have been smoking for over 95 years. There is nothing wrong with smoking," she says with and advice to avoid 'commercially made' cigarettes. Instead, she recommends locally made 'beedis' - tobacco wrapped in tendu leaf.

While her speech is mostly incoherent, the great grandmother manages to do her chores all by herself. She said that people in this modern age have too much stress and those who do not work or are idle in their old age won't live long.

Batuli's husband deserted her eight decades ago after he migrated to India in search of a job. Her eldest son is 85-years-old and has great grand kids. The other four sons have passed away since.

Following the devastating earthquake that hit Nepal recently, the roof of her house caved in but Batuli refused to relocate to a relative's house and she lives with donations made by a local temple.

"You should always be happy, then you will live a long life," Batuli says.

Warning: Smoking is injurious to health.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

Is wheat grass healthy?

Wheat grass opponents argue that wheat grass, as a grass, is only eaten by ruminants, mammals that chew their cud. Wheat grass has been shown to be a low-quality, low-nutrient food that humans aren't equipped to properly digest. Its low nutrition content is demonstrated by the nutrient profile for a wheat grass drink at a juice bar.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Rapper Akshay Dhawan to perform at Crestival

Mysuru, Mar.26- Crestival, the flagship event of CRESTA School of Management, Science and Arts, will be held on Apr.7 at its campus in Kuvempunagar. This second edition of Crestival includes a programme curated with the idea to address the creative performances showcasing culture of Mysuru. The programme comprises discussions, workshops and performances free for students.

Akshay Dhawan, one of the top rappers in the country and winner of the show *'Dil Hai Hindustani 2,'* will perform at Crestival.

The other performances will be from **Awez Darbar** and **Akasa Singh**, who are established celebrity choreographers and performers. Apart from being one of the most popular male

Akshay Dhawan

TikTokStars and youtuber, Awez Darbar is one of the most talented young choreographers.

Starting her career through reality shows, Akasa Singh is a popular singer and performer today. Her debut pop single "Thug Ranjha" crossed 27mn + views in one month and became the most watched Indian video on YouTube.

Selected for Spark Catch Them Young

Mysuru, Mar.26- Varna Rithesh and H.G. Swathi Urs, VIII std. students of JSS Public School, J.P Nagar 2nd Stage, have been shortlisted for the Spark Catch Them Young (CTY)-2019 Phase-2 training programme. The Phase I screening test of Spark CTY was conducted in January.

Infosys Campus in Mysuru starts from Apr.15 for two weeks.

Really...?

- ***In an article, the Indian Government said that till 31st March 2016, a total of 1 lakh 10 thousand 851 newspapers or magazines had been registered. There are 16,136 registrations in the newspaper category and 94,715 registrations in magazine category. Dainik Jagran (Hindi) newspaper is India's most readable newspaper and world's 4th most readable newspaper. It has published approximately 5,57,40,000 copies of newspaper until now.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

While visiting Santa's house, Banta noticed that he had replaced his usual TV with a smaller model.
Thinking that perhaps the larger set has broken down, Banta asked why the small one was there.
"Oh," Santa replied, "I have decided to watch less TV !!"

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VOICE OF THE READER

Ineffective NOTA provision: A case to re-visit

Sir,

When the desired outcome of the voters casting their votes for NOTA, that is None Of The Above, is not going to be achieved because of faulty or lack of corollary provision, what good it is to go out in the scorching sun, stand in a long queue, haggle with the polling officials to find one's name, and to finally cast vote for NOTA, which does not serve the purpose of voter's intention? Unless the NOTA provision is combined with the corollary provision: *"If total votes cast in favour of NOTA exceed a certain percentage of total votes cast in that polling station/booth/ constituency (to be debated and decided to maintain secrecy of voters and other aspects), there shall be re-election till an acceptable outcome results,"* the desired effect of NOTA is not achieved and its present provision is by design itself not at all effective.

NOTA may be providing an outlet for the anger built up against the wrong candidate/ party for various reasons, and thus sending a specific message to the parties to be more diligent in selection of nominees. It may also provide a safeguard against possible impersonation or misuse if some voters prefer to stay at home because they feel it futile to go out and vote in the present system of polling to elect a representative.

In the present LS elections with so much of mistrust and anger amongst not only parties, but also amongst grassroot level workers of parties officially declared to be in coalition, when the actual voting takes place it is more likely of NOTA getting more votes than in any previous elections.

Hence it is the right time to revisit the NOTA and redesign the scheme to make it more effective to befit its expansion, namely None Of The Above.

—Prof. B.S. Shankara (Retd.)
Mysuru
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Annual Convocation of SDM-IMD on Mar. 30

Kamal Bali to deliver 24th Convocation Address

Mysuru, Mar. 26- The 24th Annual Convocation of Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara Institute for Management Development (SDM-IMD) will take place on Saturday (Mar. 30) at the Institute Campus situated on Chamundi Hill Road, Siddarthanagar, Mysuru, at 3 pm.

Kamal Bali, President and Managing Director, Volvo Group, will be the chief guest and deliver the Convocation Address.

Dr. D. Veerendra Heggade, Chairman, SDM-IMD, will preside and grace the occasion.

During the 24th Annual Convocation, the Institute will be awarding Post Graduate Diploma in Management (PGDM) to the eligible students of the batch 2017-19. Students who have excelled in the areas of Specialisation and the Overall Performance will be receiving Gold Medals from Kamal Bali.

Kamal Bali

Dr. N. R. Parasuraman, Director of the Institute, will be presenting the Annual Report.

Profile: Kamal Bali has been Managing Director of Volvo India at Volvo Buses India Private Limited since April 2014. He has served as the President at Lee-Boy India Construction Equipment Private Limited; as Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director of Escorts Construction Equipment Ltd. since January 2007; as Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director of Same Deutz-Fahr India.

An engineering graduate from the Indian Institute of Technology, Bali has 28 years of CE industry experience. He has served as Chairman of Confederation of Indian Industry's (CII) Karnataka State Council during 2017-18 and previously as Deputy Chairman of CII-Karnataka for 2016-17.

Zoo animals adopted

Mysuru, Mar. 26- The following persons have adopted the animals of Mysuru Zoo under "Adoption of Animals" scheme by paying the Adoption Fee: Manini Mahila Samaja, Mysuru - Four Horned Antelope (Rs.5,000); Darshan Ballal, Mangaluru - Four Horned Antelope (Rs.5,000); B.M. Akash, Bengaluru - Nilgiri Langur (Rs.10,000); Prabhakar Thota, Bengaluru - Cockatiel (Rs.2,000); Bhaskar Thota, Andra Pradesh - Cockatiel (Rs.2,000); G.L. Rajesh, Bengaluru-Indian Rock Python (Rs.3,500).

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Suttur Seer to inaugurate Neuro Zone on Apr. 10

Mysuru, Mar. 26 (KS)- Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji will inaugurate the Neuro Zone (Brain-Spine Institute and Research Centre), the new wing of Gopala Gowda Shanthaveri Memorial Hospital (GGSMH) on Apr. 10 at 11 am at the hospital premises in Nazarbad.

Former Chief Minister S.M. Krishna will be the guest of honour. Dr. H.V. Santhrupth, Managing Director of GGSM Group of Hospitals, Dr. H.V. Shusrutha, American Board Certified Neurologist, Stroke Specialist and MD of Neuro Zone will be present.

Nidhi Aapke Nikat

Mysuru, Mar. 26- Nidhi Aapke Nikat, replacing Bhavishyanidhi Adalat, will be held at the Sub-Regional Office, EPF Organisation, Bhavishyanidhi Bhavan, 2nd Stage, Gayathripuram, on Apr.10 in the following time slots for different stakeholders of EPF Organisation: Subscribers: 10.30 am to 1 pm; Trade Unions and Employers Association: 10.30 am to 1 pm; Employers and Exempted Establishments: 3 pm to 4 pm.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is for notice of the general public that a political party is proposed to be registered by the name of **Karnataka Rashtra Samithi.** The office of the party is located at No. 31/2, 8th E Main, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru. Karnataka-560011. This party has submitted application to the Election Commission of India, New Delhi for the registration as Political Party under Section 29A of the Representation of people Act, 1951. Name and address of the office bearers of the party are as follows.

President : Ravi Krishna Reddy, No.28, Dayananda Layout, Chandapura Circle, Bommasandra, Anekal-562158.

General Secretary : Deepak C.N., No. F 723, 13th Cross, 1st Stage, Bharath Nagara, Bengaluru-560091.

Treasurer : K.B. Aravind, No. 39, 16th Main, MC Layout, Vijayangara, Bengaluru-560 040.

If anyone has any objection to the registration of **Karnataka Rashtra Samithi**, they may send their objection with reasons thereof, to the Secretary (Political Party). Election Commission of India, Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001 within 30 days of the publication of this notice.

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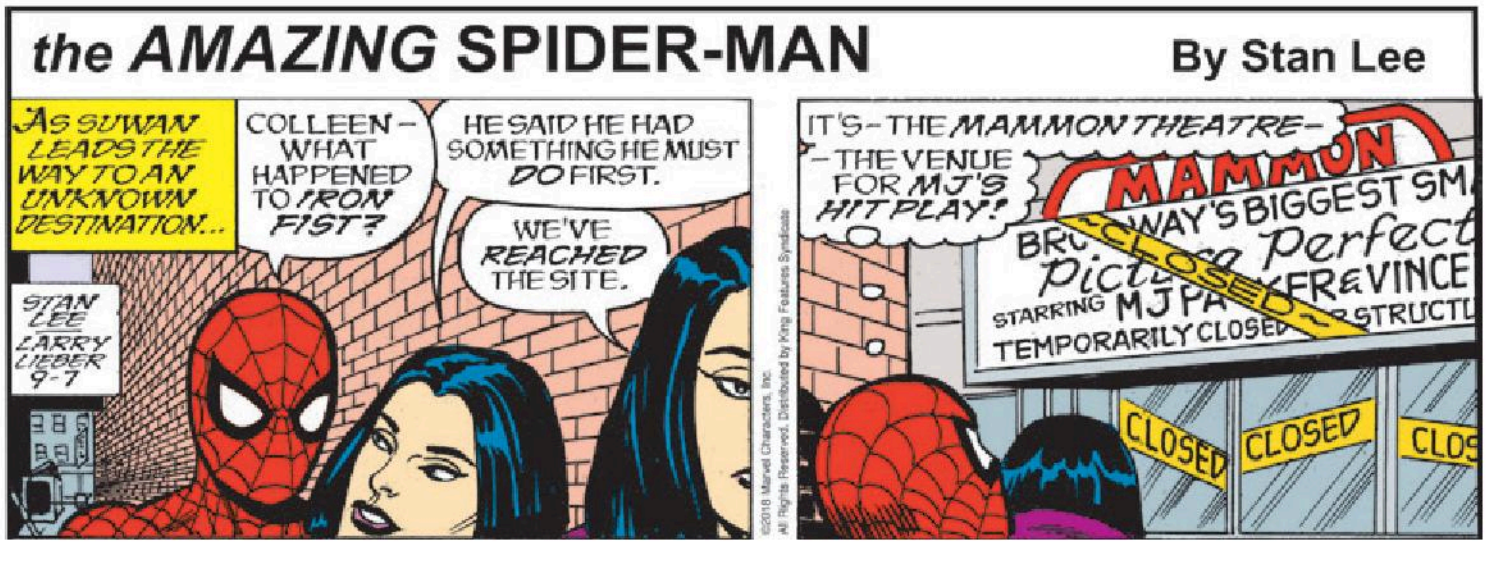
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NEWS BRIEFS

World Theatre Day

As part of World Theatre Day celebrations, the students of Natana School of Theatre Arts will be staging the play 'Shudrakana Mruchchakatika' at the School premises in Ramakrishnanagar at 6 pm tomorrow (Mar.27). Music University VC Nagesh V. Bettakote will inaugurate the programme. Industrialist and art patron Guru and cultural thinker Tukaram will be the chief guests. Professional theatre artist Juleka Begam and amateur artiste Dhananjaya will be felicitated. Writer Shweta Madappadi will read out the World Theatre Day message. The play will be performed again on Mar.31.

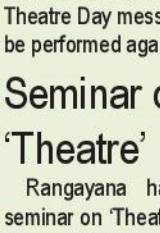
Seminar on 'Theatre'

Rangayana has organised a seminar on 'Theatre' and Bharatiya Ranga Shikshana Kendra annual theatre festival in commemoration of World Theatre Day celebrations at its premises tomorrow (Mar.27) at 10 am. Senior theatre artistes Shashidhar Bharighat, Sripad Bhat and Channakeshava will be the chief guests. The students of Ranga Shikshana Kendra will stage Kuvempu's play 'Chandrahasa' at 12 noon; Kalidasa Mahakavi's 'Nenapadalu Shakuntale' at 3 pm and Maxim Gorky's play 'E Kelaginavaru' at 7 pm.

Play 'Sri Ramayana Darshanam' postponed

As the Lok Sabha election preparations have begun, Rangayana Mysuru which was scheduled to stage 'Sri Ramayana Darshanam' in the second phase, has postponed the shows. New dates will be announced shortly, according to a press release from Rangayana.

Appointed to State Brahmana Mahasabha



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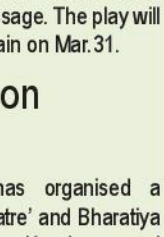


Prakash

Dr. V. Bhanuprakash Sharma of Srirangapatna has been appointed as the State Vice-President of Akhila Karnataka Brahmana Mahasabha for the year 2019-20.

Similarly, President of Mysuru District and City Brahmana Sabha D.T. Prakash has been appointed as the Akhila Karnataka Brahmana Mahasabha Mysuru Zone Vice-President for the year 2019-20, according to a press release from Mahasabha President K.N. Venkatanarayana.

JD(S) Supremo H.D. Deve Gowda files nomination from Tumakuru

Nikhil (JD-S) from Mandya, Manju (BJP) from Hassan

JD(S) Supremo H.D. Deve Gowda submitting his nomination to Tumakuru DC Dr. K. Rakesh Kumar, who is also the District Electoral Officer, yesterday. Picture right shows Nikhil Kumaraswamy filing his nomination as Mandya JD(S)-Congress coalition candidate with Mandya DC N. Manjushree. Picture below shows A. Manju of BJP submitting nomination papers to Hassan DC Akram Pasha yesterday.

Tumakuru, Mar.26- JD(S) Supremo and former PM H.D. Deve Gowda filed his nomination as the JD(S)-Congress coalition candidate from Tumakuru Lok Sabha seat at the Deputy Commissioner's office here on Monday.

Deve Gowda had given up his Hassan seat to his grandson Prajwal Revanna, son of PWD Minister H.D. Revanna. The JD(S) Supremo after performing puja at Tumakuru's famous Anjaneyaswamy Temple, marched in a procession from Junior College Grounds along with thousands of supporters to the DC's office, where he filed his nomination.

Deve Gowda was accompanied by his wife Chennamma, Deputy Chief Minister Dr. G. Parameshwara, Minister S.R. Srinivas, former Minister T.B. Jayachandra and a host of other leaders.

Nikhil Kumaraswamy files nomination from Mandya

Nikhil Kumaraswamy, son of Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy, filed his nomination as the JD(S)-Congress coalition candidate from Mandya Lok Sabha seat at Mandya on Monday.

Nikhil is locked in a direct contest with actress Sumalatha, wife of late actor-turned-politician Ambarish, who is contesting as an independent candidate with support from the BJP.

Nikhil on Monday first visited Chamundeshwari Temple atop Chamundi Hill in Mysuru, where he offered special prayers to the deity. Later after arriving in Mandya, Nikhil offered prayers at the famous Kalikamba Temple, from where he set out in huge rally to the DC's office and submitted his nomination papers to DC N. Manjushree, who is also the District Electoral Officer.

Nikhil was accompanied by his MLA mother Anitha Kumaraswamy, uncle and PWD Minister H.D. Revanna, Mandya District Minister C.S. Puttaraju and senior Congress leader and Water Resources Minister D.K. Shivakumar.

A.Manju files nomination as BJP candidate from Hassan

BJP candidate A. Manju, a former Minister, filed his nomination from Hassan Lok Sabha constituency at Hassan on Monday.

Manju, a Minister in the previous Congress Government headed by Siddharamaiah, had quit Congress last week and joined BJP. Manju, a vocal critic of the JD(S), submitted his nomination papers to Hassan DC Akram Pasha.

He was accompanied by Hassan MLA Preetham Gowda and other party leaders.

Earlier, Manju, along with State BJP President B.S. Yeddyurappa and a host of other party leaders, marched in a huge road show from Hassanamba Kalakshetra to the DC's office, amidst relentless shouting of slogans hailing Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Prior to the road show, Manju visited Seetha Ramanjaneya Temple at Hassan and offered special prayers to the deity. He later visited a Pourakarmika family and performed padapuja to Pourakarmika couple Chandru and Ashwini.

Nikhil's nomination: SP letter asking CESC officials to provide uninterrupted power lands in soup

Mandya, Mar.26- A letter purportedly written by Mandya SP Shivaprakash Devaraj asking the CESC authorities to ensure uninterrupted power supply across the district during the filing of nomination by JD(S)-Congress coalition candidate Nikhil Kumaraswamy has led to controversy.

The SP, in his letter, is said to have asked for uninterrupted power supply at Mandya city during the CM's visit to Mandya to be part of the filing of nomination of his son Nikhil and also at Maddur and Mandya TBs, Mandya District Hospital, where the CM was scheduled to attend a programme.

The letter also directed CESC officials to deploy experienced and responsible staff at all places where the CM would visit and also to have a generator as a standby to meet any emergencies. This letter has led to controversy and debates among locals.

Traffic diversion during Nikhil's nomination filing causes hardship to commuters

Mandya, Mar.26- The District Administration's decision to divert traffic from Mandya on the ever-busy Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway, caused severe inconvenience and a lot of hardship to thousands of commuters.

As Nikhil Kumaraswamy was scheduled to file his nomination in a huge road show, the authorities had diverted traffic on Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway passing through Mandya, from 9 am to 4 pm.

Accordingly, the vehicles coming from Bengaluru side were diverted at Maddur itself and were asked to take Malavalli route to reach Mysuru and other places.

Likewise, vehicles proceeding towards Bengaluru from Mysuru, were diverted on the outskirts of Mandya and were asked to take Bannur Road to travel further.

This traffic diversion irked commuters, who were shocked to learn that traffic was diverted due to Nikhil Kumaraswamy's filing of nomination. The commuters, who were totally unaware of the diversion, were seen cursing the authorities for the severe inconvenience and hardship that they had to face.

Tigress, elephant found dead

Mysuru / Madikeri, Mar.26 (MTY&KS)- The carcass of a tigress and of an elephant have been found at Nagarahole and Gonikoppal respectively.

In the first incident, the carcass of the tigress, aged about nine years, was found at Kunthur Beat in Nagarahole.

The Forest Department officials, who rushed to the spot, where the carcass of the tigress was found, inspected it and have suspected that the tigress may have died of injuries after a fight with another feline.

The Forest officials found that the bone in its neck was broken and its skull cracked and died of severe bleeding.

Field Director of Nagarahole National Park K.M. Narayanaswamy has clarified that the death of the tigress was not related to poaching.

The carcass was burnt after post-mortem was performed by the veterinarians.

ELEPHANT DEATH

In the second incident, an elephant, aged about 13 years, was found dead in a pond inside a coffee plantation at Gonikoppal.

According to Forest staff, labourers at the plantation, who saw the dead tusker, informed them. They then rushed to the spot along with senior officers and got the dead tusker removed from the pond.

Veterinarian Dr. Mujeeb, who conducted the post-mortem, said that the body was filled with pond water and added that the primary cause for its death was due to drowning.

Ruling out the possibility of the elephant being shot dead, he said that metal detectors were used to find out whether the elephant was shot dead but nothing was traced in the metal detector.

ACF Sripathi, RFO Gopal and other Forest staff were present.

Man arrested for copying during SSLC exam

Mysuru, Mar.26 (MK&KS)- A man, who was found copying by using his mobile phone during the SSLC Mathematics exam, has been arrested by Jayalakshmipuram Police.

The arrested is 35-year-old Mujahid Pasha, a resident of Rajivnagar, who was writing the Mathematics exam at Mathru Mandali School.

An auto driver by profession, Mujahid was writing the SSLC exam for the third time.

He was arrested by the Police under Karnataka Education Act (115, 115A, 117) and under IPC Section (418 and 420) and was produced before the Court.

He has been remanded to Judicial custody, according to Inspector Suresh Kumar.

PHONE TAPPING

Sumalatha files complaint with EC against HDK Govt.

Sumalatha

Bengaluru, Mar.26- Accusing that the State Government was tapping her phones and misusing Government machinery, Actor Sumalatha, who is contesting as an independent candidate from the Mandya Lok Sabha seat against Karnataka Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy's (HDK) son Nikhil, has filed a complaint with the Election Commission (EC) here yesterday.

Speaking to reporters after meeting the Karnataka Chief Electoral Officer Sanjiv Kumar at his office on Seshadri Iyer Road here, she alleged that the CM is misusing Police, entire Government machinery for the victory of his son from Mandya Lok Sabha seat.

She said that she expressed concerns about her safety, alleging that her opponents were trying to intimidate her. Yet, no security has been provided to her and some Police officials were closely watching all her movements and passing information to the CM on daily basis.

She said her supporter and actor, Darshan's house was stoned and attempts have been made to demoralise her from campaigning in the elections.

She also came down heavily on the Chief Minister for stooping to low level of politics like disconnecting power and cable connections supply during her nomination filing.

She also alleged that her opponents have been distributing Rs.500 door to door in Mandya Lok Sabha constituency besides sponsoring lunch and petrol expenditures of Nikhil's supporters thus violating model code of conduct.

On Kumaraswamy's criticism targeting actors Yash and Darshan — who are backing her candidature — she said that she would not respond to his comments.

"Even Darshan has said the same. We will not be deterred by these remarks and will be with the people. After winning the elections too, we will ask people on what our course of action should be," she said.

She asked the CM who enjoys the support of eight JD(S) MLAs and two Ministers in Mandya must face the elections with development plank instead of resorting to cheap politics.

Two-wheeler lifter arrested

20 vehicles including four bicycles recovered

Mysuru, Mar.26 (MK&KS)- Saraswathipuram Police, on Mar.21, have arrested a two-wheeler lifter and have recovered 20 two-wheelers and four bicycles from him.

The arrested is 50-year-old Srinivas, a resident of T.K. Layout in city.

During interrogation, the accused is said to have confessed of lifting two-wheelers and bicycles using duplicate keys since two years while going on morning walks between 4 am and 5 am at T.K. Layout, Janata Nagar, Gangotri Layout, Sharadadevi Nagar, Basaweshwara Nagar and surrounding places.

A case has been registered at Saraswathipuram Police Station in this regard.

Obituary

Alhaj Nazeer Ahmed

Mysuru, Mar.26- Alhaj Nazeer

Ahmed (79), a resident of Bannimantap C-Layout, passed away on Mar.22 at his residence in city.

He leaves behind his wife, three sons, three daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza was performed at Masjid-e-Firdouse at Bannimantap here followed by the burial at Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle, according to sources.

Rider injured as bus rams into two-wheeler

Mysuru, Mar.26 (KS)- A two-wheeler rider was seriously injured when a KSRTC bus rammed into his two-wheeler near Shathala Theatre Signal Lights on Chamaraja Double Road here last night.

It is learnt that the Mangaluru-Mysuru KSRTC bus, which came from Ramaswamy Circle side, driven in a rash manner, rammed into the two-wheeler resulting in the rider suffering serious injuries and being rushed to a hospital.

Meanwhile, the irate public caught hold of the bus driver and thrashed him besides damaging the glass panes of the bus.

K.R. Traffic Police, who rushed to the spot, have taken further action.

Meanwhile, the public said that frequent accidents were taking place near the signal lights due to rash and negligent driving by the bus drivers and other heavy vehicles.

They have urged the authorities concerned to take necessary steps to prevent accidents from taking place in future.

FIR registered against MP Pratap Simha

Mysuru, Mar.26- An FIR has

Pratap Simha

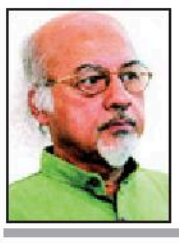
been registered against Mysuru- Kodagu Parliament Seat BJP candidate Pratap Simha for violating model code of conduct by allegedly misusing Postal Service for campaigning.

It may be recalled that President of Karnataka Backward Classes Awareness Forum K.S. Shivaramu recently accused MP Pratap Simha and BJP of misusing Postal Department officials for election campaign.

Shivaramu alleged that Pratap Simha was misusing the service of Postman to send booklets of his achievements to the households.

Simha has allegedly printed 50,000 booklets and is sending them through Postman when the model code of conduct is in force since Mar.10.

Congress' main enemy? Congress



Point of VIEW

T.J.S. George

The Congress and the BJP have one thing in common — each is led by a Superman. But the BJP's superman has a bunch of subalterns with him. That is a force multiplier. The Congress superman is a solitary sentinel. That is poor war tactics.

Narendra Modi uses his fire power as no one else does. Yet he has Amit Shah making aggressive speeches all over the country, Piyush Goyal holding forth even in alien territory like Tamil Nadu, Nitin Gadkari and Arun Jaitley and Rajnath Singh raising voices that draw attention and Sushma Swaraj bringing up the rear. A sizeable bunch to make a sizeable impact.

Turn to the Congress and what we hear is a one-man orchestra. An entrepreneurs' meeting in Bengaluru? It's Rahul Gandhi. A public meeting in Itanagar? It's Rahul Gandhi. A mass meeting in Gandhinagar? It's Rahul Gandhi. A popular do in a Chennai Women's College? It's Rahul Gandhi. A campaign meeting in Sabalgarh in Madhya Pradesh? It's Rahul Gandhi. In Guwahati, Kanyakumari, Gulbarga, Kochi, wherever the Congress states its case, you see no Congress stalwart other than Rahul Gandhi. Does the Congress have no other stalwarts?

But it has. There are young and articulate leaders like Sachin Pilot and Jyotiraditya Scindia and Milind Deora. There are old war horses like Digvijay Singh and Kamal Nath and Oommen Chandy. But we don't see or hear the young and the bright. We hear about the old and the tested only in their unending battles for prominence. At a time when all guns should be blazing at a single target, the Congress is leaving everything to one individual. Is the dynasty thing at work again despite the havoc it has wrought?

Naturally the Congress is too ineffective in too many places. Ask who is the chief of the party in an important State such as Maharashtra and you will hear some people mentioning Sanjay Nirupam, and some others mentioning Ashok Chavan. Nirupam in turn is constantly fighting with Milind Deora, probably because he sees a threat in Deora's popularity-cum-capability. Not surprisingly, the Congress attracts none of the smaller but important group leaders such as Prakash Ambedkar or Raju Shetty.

Delhi is another revealing case. Commonsense demands that the Congress must tie up with other parties that want to check the BJP. In Delhi's case, it is the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP). Important Congressmen favour a working alliance, but yesterday's leader Sheila Dixit goes by day-before-yesterday's ideas. Result: The BJP gains.

In Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Chattisgarh, the victory the Congress recently won should have energised the leadership. But what we see is a sense of nothing-is-happening. Would it have been different if the choice of CMs was based not on pressure politics by the old guard but on an assessment of the need of the hour? Rahul Gandhi does not seem to have the power to enforce his will and bring new blood into leadership ranks.

The consequent infighting in the party is nowhere more dismal than in Kerala. To begin with, the Congress in Kerala has several heads — Oommen Chandy, Mullapally, Ramesh Chennithala, A.K. Antony and V.M. Sudheeran. It is also the only State where the Congress is officially and openly divided into "A" group and "I" group. Fights between A and I are more deadly than Congress-Communist fights. Younger leaders are not allowed to come up. In fact, the younger ranks have such bright and modernistic leaders that if they are allowed to take over, both the party and the State are sure to see rapid progress. But such things do not happen in a Me-Myself-And-I culture.

The macabre nature of that culture bared itself last week when veteran leader K.V. Thomas declared war against the party. The ticket he expected was taken away from him and given to Hybi Eden instead. Thomas was 72 and Eden exactly half that age, 36. Besides, Thomas had had a lot of jam; he was MLA for long, MP for long, a Minister in Kerala, a Minister in Delhi and the holder of several positions inside the party and outside. Still he wouldn't yield to a younger man. The party finally bought peace by offering him more jam without revealing any details.

The BJP has internal fights as well. But the number of top leaders campaigning diligently makes up for it. There is energy and imagination in the BJP's campaign style. There is energy in Rahul Gandhi, but there is no imagination, and he is alone. The chief enemy of the Congress is the Congress.

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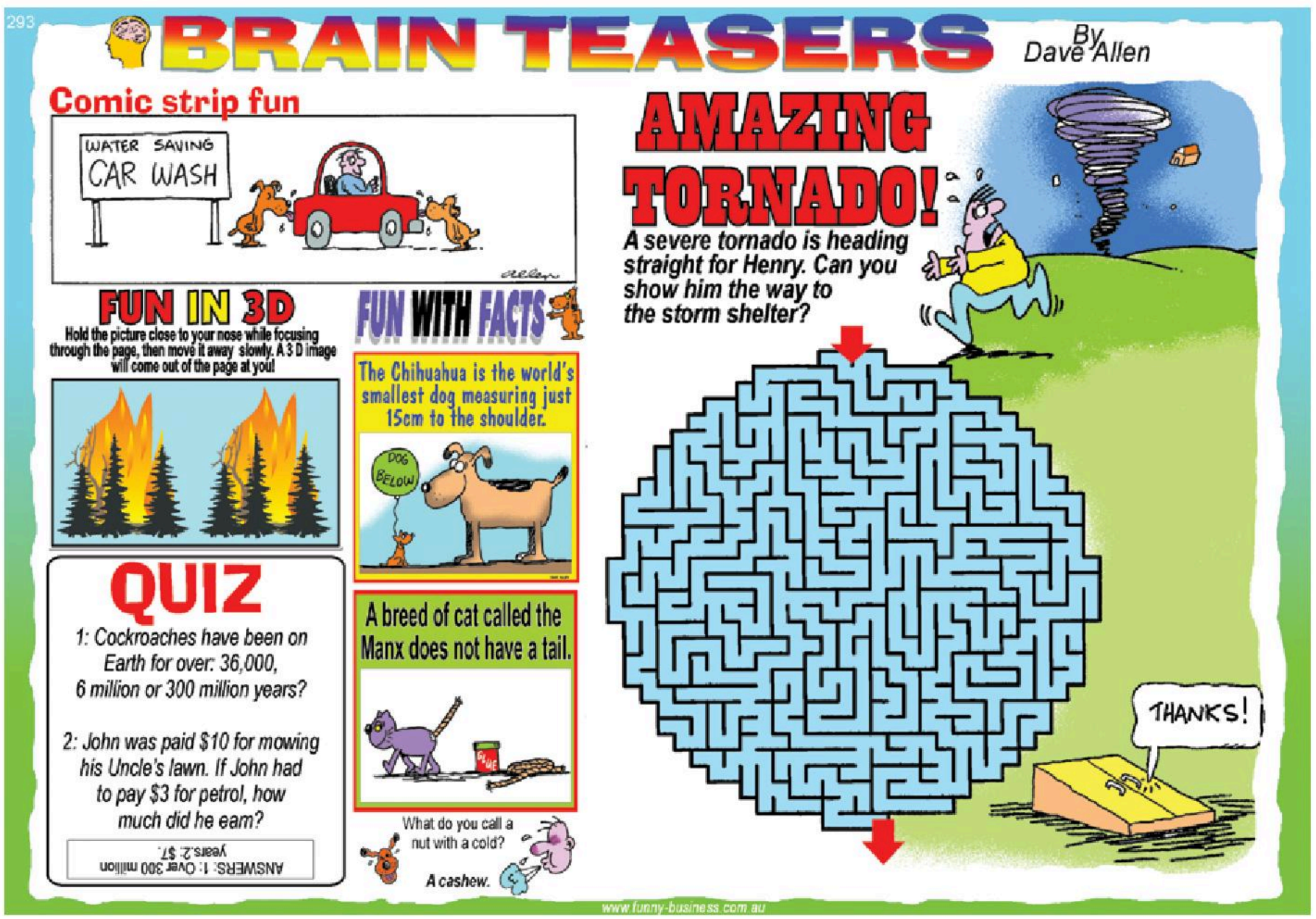
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Public-Private Partnership of a different kind...

Private agencies to maintain Government Libraries in City

Mysuru, Mar. 26 (RKB&BCT)- It is a public-private sector partnership of a different kind where a private agency is taking over a public institution as it is facing severe problems including staff and resource crunch and lack of funds. Here we are speaking about public libraries in Mysuru that are set to be handed over to private agencies for maintenance.

Providing a reading space, infrastructure and books for the public is one of the inherent duties of the local Governments and for this purpose the Department of Libraries has been established. The Municipal authority collects Library Cess from every tax-payer and hands over the money to the Libraries Department to maintain libraries.

Over the years, non-payment of library cess by the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) to the Department, lack of technical staff, severe cash and resource crunch and lack of permission to hire or outsource staff have forced the Department to think of finding private agencies to maintain the libraries.

As a pilot project, the Department has decided to hand over two to three libraries to a private agency and tenders will be called for this purpose. "We have sent a proposal to the Government for approval and we have already sought approval from the City Library Authority, headed by Mysuru Mayor," said **Department of Libraries Deputy Director B. Manjunath, who is also the Chief Librarian of City Central Library.**

The Department runs 17 branch libraries, 13 service centre libraries including libraries at Karnataka State Reserve Police, City Armed Reserve Police, District Armed Reserve Police and Mysuru Central Prison, six study centres, e-library, children's library and a mobile library in the city.

Though the number of libraries has steadily increased over the years, the Government has not revised the sanctioned posts of 17 technical staff from the past 20 years. "We have a requirement of 36 employees including Group 'C' and 'D'. We don't have permanent employees in service centre libraries and they are being run by temporary staff who get an honorarium," Manjunath added.

There is an urgent need of filling vacancies in at least four to five public libraries built by MCC. "We are somehow managing the staff crunch by handing over two to three libraries as incharge to one Library Assistant. Here too we have a problem. Library Assistants refuse to take care of more than one library as the infrastructure, books, recovery and computers come under their responsibility and they have to pay the cost in case of any damage," he explains.

The MCC has not been paying the library cess and there is a backlog of Rs. 18 crore. "This year, the MCC has collected anywhere between Rs. 4 crore and Rs. 5 crore as library cess but has paid us a paltry Rs. 1.20 crore. We need at least Rs. 1 crore per year to maintain the libraries, books, computers, mobile libraries, purchase magazines and newspapers and disburse salaries of temporary staff," Manjunath revealed.

"Recently, the MCC constructed two library buildings at Gokulam and Gangothri Layout. Libraries are constructed mainly due to pressure from elected representatives. After construction, the buildings are handed over to us for maintenance. This has led to severe fund and staff crunch. Moreover, the MCC does not take our consent or opinion before constructing library buildings," he said.

Initially the Department will hand over two to three libraries for private parties to maintain. "We will call tenders and they will have the responsibility of bringing books, infrastructure and staff. We are sure that we will hand over at least one library to a private party and if the experiment is successful, we will start with two or three and later hand over all the libraries to private parties," he explained.

"So bad is the situation that we are struggling to maintain the libraries on a day-to-day basis as the MCC has failed to give back our dues. 6 percent of the Property Tax that the MCC collects from the public goes towards maintenance of libraries. We are helpless. Unless the MCC pays what is rightfully ours, we cannot run the libraries efficiently," Manjunath explained.

Amidst fund crunch...

People's Park Library taking shape

Mysuru, Mar. 26 (RKB&BCT)- A new building of Mysuru City Central Library is taking shape amidst fund crunch in People's Park premises at Nazarbad opposite Government Guest House. It is a two-storeyed building and the construction work of the structure is nearing completion. Seventy-five percent of the works have been completed and works are on to fix doors, windows and interiors.

The new library building is being built at a cost of Rs. 5 crore at an area of 300X400 feet inside the Park. "The Mysuru City Corporation has to pay Rs. 75 lakh that has been collected as library cess. Once the MCC pays the money, we will complete the works," said Department of Libraries Deputy Director B. Manjunath.

B. Manjunath

The existing building of City Central Library on Sayyaji Rao Road has no scope for separate sections and the existing sections are narrow and congested. This is the reason why a new and a spacious building is being constructed at People's Park, he said.

MIDNIGHT SURPRISE

BJP picks young face Tejasvi over Tejaswini for Bengaluru South

New Delhi/ Bengaluru, Mar.26- In a midnight surprise, the BJP has picked young face Tejasvi Surya for the prestigious Bengaluru South Lok Sabha seat, which was widely expected to go to Tejaswini Ananth Kumar, wife of late Union Minister Ananth Kumar, who passed away in November last year. The Minister had won six straight terms from Bengaluru South between 1996 and 2014.

The Karnataka BJP had also recommended only one name to the party High Command — that of Tejaswini — who is hugely popular in the Constituency through her NGO. State BJP Chief B.S. Yeddyurappa had also backed her fully and till last week, the announcement of her candidature was being seen as just a matter of formality.

In the fresh list of candidates released by the BJP Central Election Committee (CEC) in New Delhi on Monday night, late Union Minister's wife Tejaswini has been denied ticket from Bengaluru South and instead the party has reposed faith in Tejasvi Surya, an active youth leader of the party.

Apparently, Tejasvi's Brahmin background and also good RSS backing has helped him to get the crucial seat.

The 28-year-old Tejasvi, known for his good oratory skills, is a practicing lawyer at Karnataka High Court and also the Vice-President of the State BJP Yuva Morcha. He is known for his strong pro-Hindutva views and often takes potshots at those who oppose Prime Minister Narendra Modi on social media and in public forums.

However, four days ago the local party leaders started discussing the possibility of PM Modi contesting from there, thus increasing the curiosity and tension in some camps.

The Congress, which was desperately looking for a suitable candidate, finally fielded party veteran and Rajya Sabha MP B.K. Hariprasad from there. He had lost to Ananth Kumar by 65,000 votes in the 1999 Lok Sabha elections.

The candidature of Tejasvi Surya, who is known for his strong Hindutva views, has shocked the Ananth Kumar camp.

Tejaswini on Monday tweeted that for her, it was country first, party second and personal life last. Perhaps, she was aware of the fact that the ticket was slipping away from her hand.

According to local BJP leaders, **Tejasvi has been chosen over Tejaswini just to target the family politics of JD(S) and Congress.** "Tejaswini is a good candidate. But she is Ananth Kumar's widow. She wanted to claim his legacy. Perhaps, our High Command thought that it was not appropriate and has picked young face Tejasvi Surya," said a State leader.

Tejasvi Surya

Tejaswini Ananth Kumar

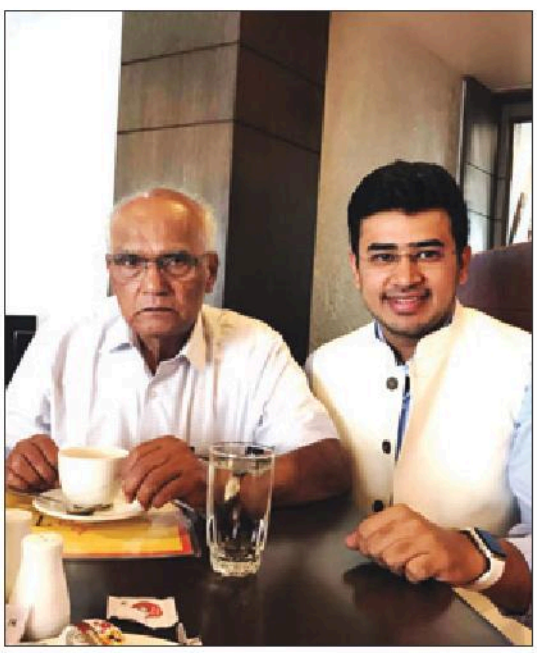
Tejasvi is an important figure in the State BJP's Media Management Cell and has good equations with the Yeddyurappa camp. His uncle Ravi Subramanya is a three-time BJP MLA from Basavanagudi in the same Lok Sabha Constituency.

Bengaluru South is known to be an anti-Congress seat since 1977. In the last 10 elections, the Congress won the seat only once in 1989. Late Chief Minister R. Gundu Rao had won by a huge margin then. The seat has been with the BJP since 1991. Gundu Rao's son Dinesh Gundu Rao is the current President of KPCC and a five-time MLA from Gandhinagar in Bengaluru Central Lok Sabha seat.

Considered a Brahmin seat, Bengaluru South Constituency has been represented by only Brahmins nine times since 1977. Infosys Co-founder and Aadhaar Founder Nandan Nilekani had lost on a Congress ticket to Ananth Kumar in the 2014 Lok Sabha elections.

Since the BJP as a party is well-entrenched in the seat, not many doubt yet another win for the saffron party. After all, Tejasvi Surya is also a Brahmin. Will he be the tenth Brahmin to win from there? One has to wait till May 23 for the answer.

It may be recalled Tejasvi Surya was in Mysuru on Mar.22 to participate in voter awareness among youth campaign organised under the banner "Volunteers for Nation Students Conclave 2k19" at the KSOU Convocation Hall.



The young neta-in-the-making Tejasvi Surya with Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha and Mysuru's noted novelist Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa.

'Ananthkumar Ji is my first guru'

Chowkidar Tejasvi Surya

Tejasvi Surya (extreme right) with Ananth Kumar.

"Ananthkumar Ji. My first guru in public life. He has seen me grow up since my high school days. I have learnt so much seeing him, talking to him and just seeing him at work. He is one of the tallest leaders of Karnataka ever. I am eternally grateful to him."

Creating another Ananth Kumar in Bengaluru South...

In 1996, Bengaluru South Lok Sabha Constituency was held by BJP MP K. Venkatagiri Gowda, a veteran. Although he was expecting a re-election, the BJP decided to bring in a young candidate to Bengaluru South.

The candidate was 37-year-old Ananth Kumar. The decision to give a newcomer the ticket was frowned upon by many in the party, pointing out that 37-year-old Ananth Kumar was inexperienced and an 'outsider' from Hubballi. But to everyone's surprise, Ananth Kumar defeated Varalakshmi, the widow of former Chief Minister R. Gundu Rao.

Since then, he hasn't lost an election in Bengaluru South, even though stalwarts like Nandan Nilekani had taken him on.

According to sources in the party, choosing Tejasvi Surya over Ananth Kumar's wife Tejaswini was a similar decision — to create another Ananth Kumar in Bengaluru South.

The Late Decision

Bengaluru South is considered a BJP bastion and a "safe seat", since the party hasn't lost since 1991. But the candidate for this Constituency was announced post-midnight (Mar.26) with only a few hours left for the submission of the nomination.

The seat held by late BJP leader Ananth Kumar for six terms was initially offered to his wife Tejaswini Ananth Kumar. But her name was missing from the initial BJP list. Soon, party leadership made it clear that she will not be given a ticket.

As the discussion prolonged, sitting MLAs and senior leaders like Suresh Kumar and Ravi Subramanya were considered for the seat.

However, post-midnight, the decision was taken that Tejasvi Surya, the preferred candidate of B.L. Santosh-led RSS faction of the BJP in Karnataka, will be made the candidate.

BJP and BSP candidates from Chamarajanagar file papers

Chamarajanagar, Mar.26 (SS &SR)- BJP Nominee and former Minister V. Sreenivasa Prasad and Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) nominee Dr. Shivakumar filed their nominations before Returning Officer and Deputy Commissioner B.B. Cauvery at her office here today from Chamarajanagar (SC) Reserve Lok Sabha seat which is going to polls on Apr.18.

BSP candidate Dr. Shivakumar submitting his nominations to Deputy Commissioner B.B. Cauvery at the DC's office today. He is accompanied by former Minister and current MLA N. Mahesh, Madesh Uppar and Samiulla.

Traffic in the southern-most district headquarters was disrupted for several hours this morning as both the party candidates took out a procession with large number of supporters till the DC's Office.

BSP candidate Dr. Shivakumar was the first to file papers at 12.15 pm after garlanding the idol of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar at Ramasamudra on the outskirts of the city. He also offered 'Buddha Namana' at Saranatha Boudha Vihar and performed puja at Chamarajeshwara Temple.

Meanwhile, Prasad filed his papers at 1.15 pm after offering puja at Chamarajeshwara Temple and taking out a procession along with band set and folk troupes.

Yesterday, as many as three candidates, including Congress nominee R. Dhruvanarayan, Uttama Prajika Party candidate M. Nagaraju and new Congress Party nominee Subbaiah, submitted their papers to Deputy Commissioner B.B. Cauvery.

Access to the office of the Returning Officer (RO) will be closed and none will be allowed inside after 3 pm today, which is the last date for filing nominations.

The ROs and Assistant ROs had been given training in scrutinising the nominations, the process which would begin from tomorrow (Mar.27). They would scrutinise all the nominations received. The last date for withdrawal of nominations by the candidates is Mar.29.

Ashwath Narayan is BJP candidate from Bengaluru (Rural)

Bengaluru, Mar.26- In a mid-night announcement, the BJP top brass on late Monday night announced the candidature of 28-year-old young firebrand leader Tejasvi Surya from Bengaluru (South) and Ashwath Narayan from Bengaluru (Rural). Ashwath is a BJP spokesperson and a former MLC who has been associated with the party for years.Like Tejasvi Surya, Ashwath Narayan too was a surprise pick.

Ashwath Narayan

Ashwath Narayan will take on sitting MP D.K. Suresh of the Congress. D.K. Suresh is the younger brother of senior Congress leader and Water Resources Minister D.K. Shivakumar.

Both D.K. Suresh of Congress and Ashwath Narayan of BJP filed their nominations at Ramanagara DC office this afternoon.

The BJP, which has extended support to independent candidate Sumalatha, wife of late actor-turned-politician Ambarish in Mandya LS seat, is yet to announce its candidates for Koppal, Raichur and Chikkodi seats, which go to the polls on Apr.23.

As far as Congress is concerned, the party is yet to announce its candidate for Dharwad seat to take on sitting up Prahlad Joshi of BJP, which is also going to the polls on Apr.23.

Filing of nomination ends

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Meanwhile, in an interesting development, Congress candidate from Mysuru-Kodagu LS seat C.H. Vijayashankar, who had submitted two sets of papers while filing his nomination yesterday, today submitted two more sets of papers. As per ECI guidelines, a candidate can file a maximum of six sets of nomination papers.

Scrutiny of papers tomorrow: With the filing of nomination papers coming to an end today at 3 pm, the scrutiny of papers of all the candidates will be taken up tomorrow (11 am) at the DC office here. Last date for withdrawal of nomination is Mar. 29. Counting of votes for all 543 LS seats in the country will be taken up on May 23.

As per the electoral rolls updated as on Jan. 1, 2019, Mysuru-Kodagu LS Constituency has 18,57,713 voters (9,27,676 - male and 9,30,037 - female).

The Constituency which has eight Assembly segments — KR, NR, Chamaraja, Chamundeshwari, Periyapatna, Hunsur, Madikeri and Virajpet — will have a total of 2,187 polling booths — 235 in Periyapatna, 274 in Hunsur, 338 in Chamundeshwari, 270 in Krishnaraja (KR), 245 in Chamaraja, 282 in Narasimharaja (NR) and 543 in Madikeri and Virajpet combined.

While the BJP has re-nominated its sitting MP Pratap Simha, the JD(S)-Congress coalition has fielded former 2-term MP Vijayashankar of the Congress. The BSP has fielded Dr. B. Chandra as its candidate.

Seven nominations filed from Mysuru LS seat on Monday

Mysuru, Mar.26 (RK&DM)- Monday was a hectic day for the election authorities as seven candidates, including those from the BJP and Congress filed their nominations papers from Mysuru-Kodagu LS seat at the DC Office here.

While sitting BJP MP Pratap Simha submitted two sets of nomination papers, so did Congress candidate C.H. Vijayashankar and independent candidates K.S. Somasundara and Venkatesh D. Nayaka.

The other candidates who filed their nomination on Monday were G. Lokesh Kumar, M. Khaleel and M. Srinivas, all independents.

With seven candidates filing nomination on a single day on Monday, the number of candidates touched 17.

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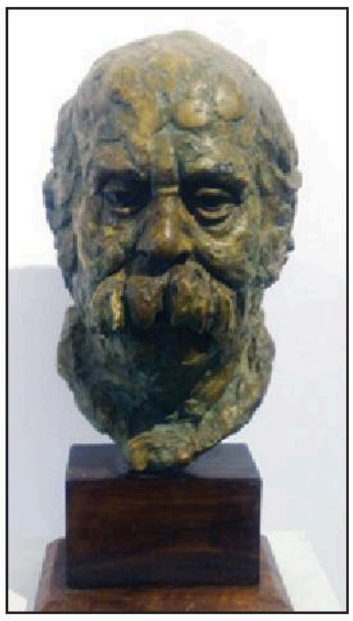
Eye-catching art works on display at Artz Gallery in Gokulam

Mysuru, Mar. 26 (SBD&NNN)- "This 'March Group Show' is a perfect platform for the young artists to learn from all the great artists," said *Star of Mysore* Editor-in-Chief K.B. Ganapathy.

He was speaking after inaugurating the Art Show organised by Artz Gallery at Gokulam, here yesterday and said, "The famous singer Lata Mangeshkar practised for seven to eight hours every day. Sachin Tendulkar was playing cricket for seven to eight hours every day. Only when one dedicates oneself to such relentless practice can one achieve something great. If all of you practice art like those great people will you be able to achieve something in life."

The artists' works on display, from Mar.25 to Apr. 13 between 11 am and 7 pm, includes that of Basawaraj Musavalgi, Dayananda Nagaraju, Dr. B.R. Geethanjali, Dr. Vittalraddi F. Chulaki, N.B. Kaverappa, M.L. Madhavi, K.C. Mahadeva Shetty, N. Parameshwara, Shivakumar Kesaramadu, V.S. Sridhara, K. Suresh and Veeranna Arkasli. The Artz Gallery is filled with unique creations of all the above named artistes. For instance, artist Mahadeva Shetty depicting Ganesha idol found in Halebid on a big canvas is eye-catching.

Star of Mysore **Editor-in-Chief K.B. Ganapathy, who inaugurated the 'March Group Show' organised by Artz Gallery at Gokulam in city yesterday, seen with Mysuru Literary Forum Charitable Trust Chairperson Shubha Sanjay Urs, Artz Gallery Founder Shobha Subbaiah and others.**



The bust of Ranganna Tatha by sculptor Veeranna Arkasli on display at the Show.

Artist Madhavi, who is inspired by mythological themes along with changes brought about in contemporary times, is another attraction. Paintings like Tipu holding a sword and fighting with a tiger, hunter dogs attacking along with drawings of the guns shows the changes over a period of time. Another painting that draws attention is of the Tretha Yuga where Ravana is kidnapping Sita.

Ranganna Tatha's bust: The bust of Ranganna Tatha by sculptor Veeranna Arkasli displayed at the Art Show arouses the curiosity of many a discerning audience. In the 1990s hundreds of students of Chithra Kala Parishat (CKP) in Bengaluru knew about Ranganna. Many have drawn his figures making him pose for them. One of them among them is me, said Veeranna Arkasli. Ranganna was a retired soldier and had made CKP his home from a very young age and he considered students as his relatives. A giant of a man, he never lost the zest for life. Hence, I have preserved the bust of Ranganna, which I had done, recalled Veeranna.

The art work *'Yaarinda Yaarige Bidugade'* based on the episode of Dr. Rajkumar's kidnap by Veerappan, by artist Basawaraj Musavalgi leaves everyone thinking. The camera work of V.G. Sridhar capturing Devaraja Market and Lansdowne Buildings and the work of other artists, strike a chord with the viewers.

Mysuru Literary Forum Charitable Trust Chairperson Shubha Sanjay Urs, Artz Gallery Founder Shobha Subbaiah and others were present.

Mata Amritanandamayi receives Hon. Doctorate from University of Mysore

Mysuru, Mar. 26- Humanitarian and spiritual leader Mata Amritanandamayi Devi, fondly called *Amma*. was awarded the Honorary Doctorate of Letters (D.Litt. Honoris Causa) by the University of Mysore (UoM) for her rich contributions to the field of spiritual education and social work. This is the second Honorary Doctorate for *Amma* after having received an Honorary Doctorate in Humane Letters from the State University of New York in 2010.

Established in 1916, the University of Mysore is India's sixth oldest University and it is the first in Karnataka. While the University convocation was held on Mar. 17, 2019, the Honorary Doctorate was officially presented to *Amma* by UoM Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar at a function held in Amritapuri Ashram in Kollam, Kerala on Mar.23 in the presence of Union Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare Ashwin Kumar Choubey; Vice-Chancellor of University of Kerala Dr. V.P. Mahadevan Pillai; Registrar of UoM Prof. Lingaraja Gandhi and other dignitaries.

Mata Amritanandamayi Devi receiving the Honorary Doctorate from Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar, Vice-Chancellor, UoM and Prof. Lingaraja Gandhi, Registrar as** (from left) **Prof. K.M. Mahadevan, Registrar (Evaluation), UoM; Ashwin Kumar Choubey, Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare and Dr. V.P. Mahadevan Pillai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Kerala, look on.

Speaking on the occasion, Mata Amritanandamayi said, "I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and other distinguished faculty members of the UoM for this honour. Through this honour, I see the interest that the University of Mysore has in upholding its alignment with the ideal of *'Manava Seva Madhava Seva'* (Service to Humankind is Service to God. Mata Amritanandamayi Math has been able to serve society in this manner to whatever little extent it has because of the selfless service of millions of *Amma's* children all around the world. Therefore, I dedicate this honour to their deep sincerity and goodwill." Further, *Amma* stressed on the importance of ensuring that academic research and science should remain rooted in spiritual values such as truth, righteousness and compassionate service to the poor.

She said, "In today's Universities, the professional progress and promotions of the faculty members, researchers and professors are determined by how much funding they are bringing in, how many publications they are submitting, and what they are able to accomplish through their intellectual prowess. Something else should also be taken into consideration: how much their discoveries have been able to help the lower strata of society and how much they are able to help the poor and needy through their contribution. If this happens, it would be like gold becoming fragrant."

UoM VC Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar, said, "The University of Mysore is blessed to confer this honorary degree upon Amma, who during the past four decades has contributed so much goodness to the world — everything from spiritual education to massive charitable humanitarian efforts."

It may be recalled, this year the UoM conferred 'Honoris Causa' Degree on two personalities — *Amma* and Tiptur Swamiji.

Kings XI Punjab beat Rajasthan in a high tension encounter

Chris Gayle becomes fastest to score 4,000 runs in IPL

Chris Gayle

Jaipur, Mar. 26 (UNI)- Kings XI Punjab (KXIP) emerged victorious in their opening match of the IPL 2019 as they beat Rajasthan Royals (RR) by 14 runs at Sawai Mansingh Stadium here yesterday.

Chasing 185 runs for victory, Rajasthan Royals were off to a flier as opening batsmen Ajinkya Rahane and Jos Buttler added 78 runs for the first wicket.

Rahane was dismissed for 27 off 20 by Ravichandran Ashwin. Buttler was then joined by Sanju Samson (30) as the pair added 30 runs for the 2nd wicket.

The home side were cruising towards the target when a well-settled Buttler was run out "mankaded" by KXIP skipper Ashwin. This dismissal was the turning point of the match. Royals lost wickets at regular intervals after that, and managed to score 170/9 in 20 overs.

For KXIP, the trio of Sam Curran, Mujeeb Ur Rahman and Ankit Rajpoot took three wickets each.

Earlier, Rajasthan Royals won the toss and opted to bowl first. Put in to bat, the KXIP got off to a slow start as they lost K.L. Rahul (4) early. After losing Rahul, Chris Gayle and Mayank Agarwal (22) stitched together a 56-run stand for the 2nd wicket.

Thereafter, Gayle accelerated KXIP's innings as he went on to make 79 runs off 47 balls at a strike-rate of 168.07 included 8 fours and 4 sixes.

Gayle also brought up his 25th IPL half-century during the match and also became the fastest to score 4,000 runs in IPL as he reached the landmark in 112 innings.

Following Gayle's dismissal, Sarfaraz took the attack to the opposition as he made 46 off just 29 balls that included 6 fours and a six. His innings propelled KXIP beyond the 180-run mark as they finished on 184/4.

This is Kings XI Punjab first win in Jaipur in six attempts.

Chris Gayle was adjudged as the Man of the Match for his superb knock.

IPL Season-12

Today's Match

DC Vs **CSK**
Feroz Shah Kotla Ground, Delhi, **8 pm**

Tomorrow's Match

KKR Vs **KXIP**
Eden Gardens, Kolkata, **8 pm**

Yesterday's Result

RR 170/9 (20)
lost to
KXIP 184/4 (20)

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Now, an exclusive "DogOut" for RCB home matches

Bengaluru, Mar.26- This IPL season, Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB) has decided to make its home matches pet-friendly at M. Chinnaswamy Stadium. The Bengaluru franchise has invited spectators with their pets at an exclusive pet-lounge named "DogOut" with seating designed for people and canines.

"RCB believes in being compassionate and inclusive. We care about all the fans that are dearly associated with the team. One such group of fans is pet-parents and lovers. Pets are extension of their families and we as RCB would like to make them very much a part of our RCB family," an RCB statement said. "This year onwards, RCB is thrilled to invite all pet lovers to watch home matches with their pets at an exclusive pet lounge called "DogOut" not "DugOut"," they added.

Also, RCB is partnering with pet care experts Ashita Mathew, Rashi Narang and Ridhima Coelho from HUFT, who will be curating exclusive content around pet nutrition, grooming and wellness on the new official RCB Application.

RCB will meet Mumbai Indians at their home ground in Bengaluru on Mar.28.

Runners-up in Handball Tournament

The Handball team of GSSSIETW, Mysuru, secured Runners-up Trophy in the Mysuru City Inter-Collegiate Handball Tournament played at VVIET in city recently. The Tournament was organised by Vidya Vikas Institute of Engineering & Technology (VVIET) at its campus recently. In the finals, GSSSIETW, Mysuru, lost to Teresian First Grade College, Mysuru. Seen in the picture are *(from left - standing)* ***B.N. Harish Gowda, PE Director, GSSSIETW, Mysuru, Manjunath, PE Director, VVIET, Mysuru, B.R. Nishchitha, Apoorva, D. Preeya, Dr. Bindu Thomas, Professor and Head, Department of EC&E, VVIET, Mysuru, Suhani, Bhavana, Rachana Selar and R. Swathi*** *(sitting)* ***Bhoomika, Anvitha Muthamma, K.M. Prarthan and Nikitha.***

MDFA 'A' Division Football League

Facile win for Durgamba FC

Mysuru, Mar.26- Durgamba FC registered a facile 3-0 win over South Western Railway (S) FC in the MDFA 'A' Division Football League 2018-19 for the Achutha Rao Memorial Trophy played at the University Grounds here yesterday.

RESULTS: Monday's Match — Durgamba FC: 3 (Godwin 37, Affu 54, Salman 60) bt **South Western Railway (S) FC:** 0.

Sunday's Match — Town SC: 6 (Koushik 34, Rohit 42, Manu 49, 58, 67, Grover 69) bt **Kickers FC:** 0.

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Ammathi Kodava Samaja bans liquor during 'Ganga Puja'

Madikeri, Mar. 26 (PS&BCT)- The Ammathi Kodava Samaja in Kodagu district has taken a decision to ban serving liquor during *Ganga Puja* ceremony, held as part of Kodava weddings. And those breaking this rule will have to pay a fine of Rs. 25,000 to the Samaja.

This decision has been taken during the annual meeting of the Samaja held recently at Ammathi and according to the office-bearers of the Samaja, the decision was supported by a majority of the members.

At the end of a Kodava wedding feast, *Ganga Puja* ritual is held where the bride, as a symbol of taking her first steps into her husband's family, has to carry a pail of water on her head accompanied by two unmarried girls from the groom's family to the mantap.

As the bride carries the water, she is stopped by the groom's family from entering the mantap or the kitchen to symbolise the hardships that she may face in a married life.

The bride in turn patiently waits with the pail of water on her head to depict her commitment and will to overcome any obstacles that she may face.

During this period of waiting, it is time for the youth of both the

families to dance to the rhythmic beats of *Valaga,* traditional Kodava music, and drink and be merry.

The traditional Kodava dance during the '*Ganga Puja*' is a two-hour ritual. However, the modern weddings extend it to over five hours.

"Serving of liquor is prohibited during the *Ganga Puja* until the bride completes the ritual of offering rice to Goddess Cauvery. We have banned people from serving liquor during *Ganga Puja* as it spoils the sanctity of the ritual. A fine of Rs. 25,000 will be levied on those who break this rule," said Mookonda Bose Devaiah, President of Ammathi Kodava Samaja.

"We used to levy a fine of Rs. 5,000 when the '*Ganga Puja*' exceeded the stipulated time. However, people used to pay this fine and continue with the dance. So, we have taken this decision with an interest to preserve the culture and tradition. Moreover, drinking spoils the significance of the rituals where Goddess Cauvery (Ganga) is worshipped in the form of water and at times, things get unruly as people tend to drink beyond limits," he said.

Bose Devaiah said that the Federation of Kodava Samajas has commended the decision taken by the Ammathi Kodava Samaja and has appealed to all Kodava Samajas to take similar decisions.

He further said that the decision has been hailed by many people on social media platforms.

Excise nod must before serving liquor during weddings

Madikeri, Mar. 26 (PS&BCT)- It is marriage season in Kodagu and this time as the season has coincided with the elections, the Election Commission of India (ECI) has kept an eye on lavish programmes where liquor is served to guests.

Though serving liquor to guests during family functions is common in Kodagu, the Model Code of Conduct forbids serving liquor in the open bar.

The Election Commission has, however, clarified that there is no restriction on conducting private functions. However, serving liquor during the functions would lead to violation of the code of conduct.

The Kodagu district administration, as per directions issued by the ECI, has made it mandatory for the hosts to avail prior permission for serving liquor during private functions including marriages, hockey festival and other social gatherings.

It is mandatory for organisers to obtain permit for the same by making a payment of Rs. 11,500 (non-refundable), along with prior permission. Permission can be obtained from the Kodagu Deputy Commissioner (excise) and the rule has been implemented under Rule 3 (5) of the Karnataka Excise (Sale of Indian and Foreign Liquors) Rules, 1968.

Appropriate action would be initiated if liquor is supplied to guests or if liquor is stored in more than the limited quantity without a permit, said officials from the Excise Department.

CESC public contact programme tomorrow

Mysuru, Mar. 26- The Ramakrishnagar Sub-Division of Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) will be holding a public contact programme at the Office of the Assistant Executive Engineer (AEE), CESC, Ramakrishnagar, at 11 am tomorrow.

Likewise, a public contact programme will also be held at the office of the AEE, CESC, Kuvempunagar at 3 pm tomorrow. Power consumers coming under the respective CESC Sub-Divisions can come up with their grievances related to power supply.

Liquor ban during Jathra

Mysuru, Mar. 26- To prevent any untoward incidents from happening during Sri Bangimaramma Jathra to be held at Hedathale village in Doddakaulande hobli of Nanjangud taluk, Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar has banned the sale, supply and transportation of liquor at Hedathale village from 6am on Mar. 27 to 8 am on Mar.30 .

The Deputy Commissioner has also ordered closure of all liquor shops, bar and restaurants, MSIL liquor outlets in Hedathale village limits, according to a press release.

Bangalore Kodava Samaja distributes cheques to Kodagu flood victims

Bengaluru, Mar. 26- In a noble gesture, Kodava Samaja Bangalore had organised an event yesterday where relief cheques were disbursed to victims of floods and landslides whose lives were torn apart in the natural disaster that ravaged some parts of Kodagu last year. In all, cheques worth Rs. 2.65 crore were distributed to 355 flood victims.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* over the phone, President of Bangalore Kodava Samaja Mukkatira T. Nanaiah said that the Kodava Samaja had constituted Kodava Samaja Flood Relief Fund and they had identified the victims through a committee and screened them for relief fund assistance.

"We had also invited applications from the victims and we had constituted an independent survey team to visit each victim's house to assess the damage. The list of beneficiaries was prepared after a thorough assessment and survey and all the communities – Kodavas and non-Kodavas were included in the list," he said.

Relief cheques were distributed to victims and the money was decided depending on the extent of damage. "We have distributed cheques from Rs. 30,000 and in excess of Rs. 2 lakh depending on the damage they have sustained," Nanaiah said.

Kodava Samaja sources said that more than 500 people including non applicants had attended the event. "We have collected all applications and will look into the possibility of distributing compensation to them," sources said.

The cheque disbursement ceremony was led by Maj. Gen. (Retd) Kodandera Arjun Muthanna, President of Kodava Samaja Flood Relief Fund and was presided over by Kodava Samaja President Mukkatira T. Nanaiah. Kodira Kavya Pratap Somanna rendered a prayer, Kodava Samaja Secretary Chiriyapanda Suresh Nanjappa welcomed and Samaja Vice President Mallengada Meera Jalajakumar proposed a vote of thanks.

Maria Monica Susairaj back in news

Former Kannada starlet from Mysuru on the run; named in seven complaints of cheating

Mysuru, Mar. 26- It is nearly 11 years since the sensational murder case of Television Executive Neeraj Grover in which the Mysuru's former Kannada starlet Maria Monica Susairaj was an accused. She was released after serving a jail sentence of three years.

Maria Monica Susairaj

After all these years, Maria Susairaj is in the news again, as she is said to be on the run from Mumbai and Thane Police in multiple cases of cheating, forgery and intimidation.

There are seven complaints registered against Maria and her partners in crime Paromita Chakraborty and Anita Vedpathak. The Bombay High Court had rejected the anticipatory bail of Maria in one of the cases in January this year and she has been on the run ever since.

Maria's dream of making it big in Bollywood was jettisoned when her boyfriend, Naval Officer Emile Jerome Mathew, killed TV Executive Neeraj Grover in her presence. She later met Paromita and Anita while serving jail sentence in Byculla jail.

The three got along very well in jail and remained good friends after Maria's term ended and the other two were released on bail. In all seven complaints lodged against the trio, Paromita masqueraded as former West Bengal Chief Minister Buddhadeb Bhattacharjee's daughter and Anita as power-broker.

In each case the trio would offer crores of rupees in easy loans to its victims or lure them into partnership in a business venture with promise of big profits. In all seven complaints, victims have mentioned Maria's presence when deals were discussed. The Police have in their possession several of Maria and Paromita's photographs, some of them clicked on holidays across the country.

Kamal Jain, a partner in a jewellery business in JJ Marg area in Mumbai was one of the trio's earliest victims. According to the complaint filed by Jain at the JJ Marg Police Station, Paromita and Anita bought jewellery from his shop many times in 2013. Though they paid for their purchases some of the times, the three did not clear the bills worth Rs. 88 lakh.

When Jain began asking for money, he started receiving threats from various quarters. On one such occasion, a history sheeter from Ahmedabad visited his shop and asked him to "settle the matter with the three women."

"Paromita was introduced to me by Constable Pratibha Mhatre of the Byculla Women's Prison, who was my customer," Jain had mentioned in his Police complaint, indirectly pointing to their connection with the Police Department.

It is also learnt that Maria and Paromita have a cheating case registered against them in Vododara Police Station, Gujarat, where they had accepted money from many people for Haj pilgrimage and vanished with the money.

A few victims of the three women have written to Maharashtra CM Devendra Fadnavis about the cheating by the trio. However, one of the victims Mansi Pandit said that Police were reluctant to file an FIR against the three.

"The three women offered me loans with cheap interest in 2016. They said they could organise up to Rs. 2 crore for me. The meetings took place in plush restaurants and they always arrived in big cars and spent freely. I later found out that it was all a carefully thought out plant to fool gullible people," said Mansi.

However, Advocate Naveen Chomal, who represents Maria, Paromita and Anita, said his clients have no idea about these cheating cases. "These are motivated allegations made by a group of seasoned blackmailers," he said.

Meanwhile, Police Inspector Rajkumar Kothimare, who is attached to the Thane Anti-Extortion Cell, said a separate team has been set up to investigate the allegations against the three.

"We are looking for Maria. Paromita too has violated her bail condition, while Anita is out on bail," he said. A senior Police Inspector G.D. Pingale of Chitalsar Police Station in Thane said that a case would be registered against Maria, Paromita and Anita in the Mansi Pandit case.

Advocate murdered

K.R. Pet, Mar. 26 (Nagaiah& KS)- An advocate has been found allegedly murdered at Nagaraghatta village in Santhebachalli hobli of K.R. Pet taluk last night. The deceased advocate is Satish (40), who was practicing at Channarayapatna, Mysuru, Bengaluru and other places.

Advocate Satish

It is learnt that Satish had come to Nagaraghatta village yesterday night.

K.R. Pet Police, who have registered a case in this regard, are investigating.

Peaceful eco-protest against MUDA this evening

Mysuru, Mar. 26- A peaceful eco-protest against MUDA will be staged by the children aged 3 to 14 years of Gokulam, today at 5.30 pm in Gokulam 2nd Stage (Small Park by the Sweeper's Colony).

The event is an exhibition of children's artwork themed: Park Life, Nature, Rangoli and free drawing and peaceful eco-demonstration.

Reason: It has been at least, three years since MUDA totally neglected this very small park that could be easily maintained at least once a week, like all the other Gokulam Parks.

There are no plants, no playground, toys, no benches to sit. There are only two trees. The Park's gates are kept locked. It is a very hazardous place, as it is being used as dump of all types of garbage.

"Over the past three years, the kids and I have cleaned the park ourselves trying to make things better, however we don't have the tools to do it safely, nor it is our jobs to do it," says a concerned Fabiana, who has organised this eco-protest. For details call Mob: 95131-19606.

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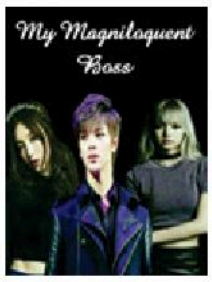
WORD OF THE DAY

Magniloquent

Pronunciation: mag-NIL-uh-kwunt
Meaning: Using high-flown or bombastic language.



Origin: Magnus means "great" in Latin; loqui is a Latin verb meaning "to speak." Combine the two and you get magniloquus, the Latin predecessor of magniloquent. English-speakers started using magniloquent in the 1600s—even though we have had its synonym grandiloquent since the 1500s. (Grandiloquent comes from Latin grandiloquus, which combines loqui and grandis, another word for "great" in Latin.) Today, these synonyms continue to exist side by side and to be used interchangeably, though grandiloquent is the more common of the two.

Examples: The magniloquent sportscaster sometimes got so carried away with his monologues that he would forget to describe the action on the field."It [the television series Billions] features two outsize, magniloquent protagonists who are constant foils to one another: light and dark, good and evil, both cut from the same ambitious cloth and therefore destined to lock in an endless pas de deux of power." — Rachel Syme, The New Republic, 1 May 2018.

THE ODD WORD

Canorous
Melodious

PHRASE OF THE DAY

The third degree

Meaning: Asking serious questions and/or giving someone rough treatment to get information during interrogation.

Origin: The classification of the qualities of objects by degree — heat and cold, moisture and dryness etc. — was commonplace in the middle ages. Henry Lyte's translation of Dodoens' Niewe herball or historie of plantes, 1578 includes a description of rue. The present meaning involves more than classification though. 'The third degree' is well-known to all US crime-fiction enthusiasts as 'an intensive, possibly brutal, interrogation'.
In Masonic lodges there are three degrees of membership; the first is called Entered Apprentice, the second Fellowcraft, and the third is master mason. When a candidate receives the third degree in a Masonic lodge, he is subjected to some activities that involve an interrogation and it is more physically challenging than the first two degrees. It is this interrogation that was the source of the name of the US Police force's interrogation technique. That is referred to in an 1900 edition of Everybody's Magazine.

QUOTE BOX

The most wasted of days is one without laughter.

— E. E. Cummings

RIDDLE THIS

What has six faces, but does not wear makeup. It also has twenty-one eyes, but cannot see?

Answer: Dice.

SUDOKU

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Answer to previous puzzle

2	7	9	8	3	1	6	5	4
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4	6	1	2	7	5	8	9	3
9	1	7	6	8	2	4	3	5
8	5	6	4	9	3	7	2	1
3	4	2	1	5	7	9	8	6
7	9	5	3	6	4	2	1	8
1	3	4	7	2	8	5	6	9
6	2	8	5	1	9	3	4	7

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Ever, contracted by a poet
4 Fly-by-light
7 Double helix material for short
10 Arabian sultanate
11 Roman bronze - "sea" change?
12 Othello's false friend
14 ____ towards : inclined to?
16 Wimbledon winner in 1975
17 Lacking moisture
18 Very High Frequency
19 Irish alphabet
20 May in France
21 First double digit number
22 Brewed liquor
24 Having a smell
28 Mass of salt water
29 A fruit with a hard shell
30 Slalom
31 Caustic, keen or racy
33 Suffix with "cash" or "sold"
34 Father or papa
35 Abstract being?
37 Norwegian composer - "e.g. rig" anagram?
40 Newly-hatched fishes
41 Aunt in Spanish
44 Feline sound
45 Mourning or lamenting
47 Fruit of blackthorn
48 A long time
49 ___ or twice : a few times
50 Terminate or cancel
51 You get this breakfast food from a layer!
52 International racqueteer gp.?

DOWN
1 Mid-East VIP
2 This certainly isn't difficult!
3 Required Navigation Performance
4 Designed or styled
5 Bovine meat
6 '60s drug briefly
7 Identification of disease
8 Beau ___ : English dandy?
9 Bollywood's old time comedian
10 ___ number : 1 or 3 or 181 ?
13 Original Equip. Manufacturer
15 Eggs
19 Over, poetically contracted?
20 Perambulated, sauntered or strayed
21 Staggering, reeling about
22 Poisonous snake
23 Rumanian coin
25 Brownish gray
26 Small guitar
27 Schoolmaster's title
32 Forcibly stop up the mouth
36 Nickname used for the late Mr. Bevan
37 Global Positioning Sys.
38 ___ out : exclude, pronounce irrelevant?
39 Common metal
40 Developed tadpole
41 Faint colour spread over a surface
42 Old king of Peru
43 Grow old
45 Command to a horse
46 Oath, promise

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:

C	A	P	T		U	S	S		M	I	S	S
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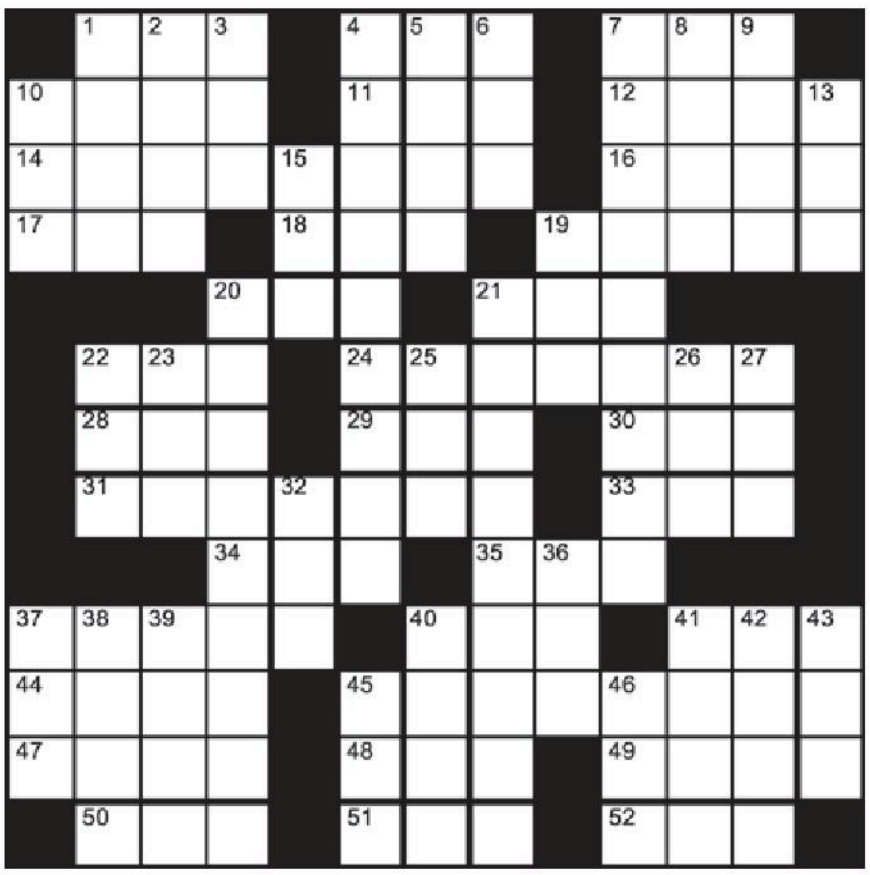

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

KA SWMQ DX'U RFSG FIQKWO FS PX NZGGQ DX

BSCMU NZYX Z GIXFFQ OSSU FKHX

TODAY'S CLUE: O EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Rudeness is the weak man's imitation of strength.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
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Udgharsha	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9986022634	4 Shows
Shree Atharvana Prathyangira	Prabha	2423569	2 Shows
Chanaksha	Prabha	2423569	2 Shows
Yajamana	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
Bell Bottom	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
Natasaarvabhowma	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
Missing Boy	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
HINDI			
Kesari	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Puli Joodham	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
Chikati Gadilo Chithakotudu	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
----	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows

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	(S-4)	1.40 pm
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Adachanegagi Kshamisi (K)	(S-2)	10.45 am
Kesari (H)	(S-2)	1.10 pm
	(S-4)	10.40 am, 4.05 pm 7.00 pm, 9.55 pm
Badla (H)	(S-2)	4.15 pm, 7.15 pm
Udgharsha (K)	(S-3)	10.50 am, 7.10 pm
Missing Boy (K)	(S-3)	1.40 pm
Bell Bottom (K)	(S-3)	4.30 pm
Puli Joodham (Te)	(S-3)	9.55 pm

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How To Train Your Dragon (E-3D)	(S-1)	10.00 am, 12.20 pm 2.40 pm, 5 pm, 7.20 pm
Captain Marvel (E-3D)	(S-1)	9.40 pm
Kesari (H)	(S-2)	9.35 am, 12.40 pm, 3.45 pm, 6.50, 9.55 pm
	(S-3)	9.00 pm
Badla (H)	(S-4)	4.45 pm
	(S-3)	6.25 pm
Missing Boy (K)	(S-3)	10.35 am
	(S-4)	7.20 pm
Udgharsha (K)	(S-4)	2.00 pm, 9.55 pm
Yajamana (K)	(S-4)	10.45 am
Badri Vs Madhumathi (K)	(S-3)	1.05 pm
Adachanegagi Kshamisi (K)	(S-3)	3.55 pm

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Mard Ko Dard Nahi Hota (H)	10.10 am, 6.30 pm
Adachanegaagi Kshamisi (K)	10.55 am
Missing Boy (K)	1.10 pm, 7.20 pm
Udgharsha (K)	1.30 pm, 9.50 pm
Captain Marvel (E)	2.15 pm
Badla (H)	3.50 pm
Bell Bottom (K)	4.30 pm
Yajamana (K)	10.00 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

TiE Talk for Women Entrepreneurs

Digital Marketing Strategist Pavithra Ratnakar** (seventh from right) **with women entrepreneurs.

Mysuru, Mar.26- In a bid to further entrepreneurship, The Indus Entrepreneurs (TiE), Mysuru Chapter, hosted its monthly TiE Talk recently at Silicon Road Ideation Labs, Mysuru.

Pavithra (Pavi) Ratnakar, a Digital Marketing Strategist and Online Branding and Social Media Professional, specialising in Government to Business (G2B) functions, was the guest speaker for the event.

Commemorating Women's Day, the special agenda for the event was to celebrate women beating the odds, challenging the status quo, and to empower the current generation to pierce the glass-ceiling.

Shrilakshmi Desiraju, Co-Founder, Triphase Pharmaceuticals, started the proceedings by introducing the speaker.

Pavi Ratnakar, a professional and an entrepreneur with expertise in Telecom and Digital Marketing, emphasised the importance of handling failures during new ventures and delineated how important missteps are, in shaping an individual's career track. As an inspiration to every lady and man alike, Pavi Ratnakar's dialogue with the audience was effective and made a lasting impression on this meeting of TiE, Mysuru Chapter.

The event was presided by TiE Mysuru President Sanjay Srinivasmurthy and was moderated by Gagan Chengappa, Executive Director, TiE, Mysuru.

The event prompted great networking opportunities and offered valuable insights with a special focus on women entrepreneurs and was attended by Board Members of TiE Mysuru Charter Members, noted Mysuru-based entrepreneurs, business professionals, and a large number of new members.

The forthcoming event of TiE Mysuru will witness eminent executives like Prashant Prakash and Sudhanva Dhananjaya in a Fire Side Chat setting to be held on Mar.29 at Mysore Socials, at 6 pm.

EVENTS TODAY (MAR.26)

JSS Urban Haat: Kalavaibhav-2019 & Silk Utsav-2019, JSS Urban Haat premises, Hebbal Industrial Area, **up to 9 pm.**

Kalisu Foundation: Celebrating the birthday of Yaduveer Wadiyar, Ambassador of Kalisu Foundation and book launch — 'Kalisu Kavanagalu' by K.P. Bhavani (student of Kalisu Foundation) — Trishikha Kumari Wadiyar and B.N. Bahadur Institute of Management Science Chairman Prof. R. Mahesh chief guests, Rani Bahadur Auditorium, B.N. Bahadur Institute of Management Science, **3.30 pm.**

JSS Institute of Speech and Hearing, M.G. Road: Valedictory of Students' Association and Annual Day (2018-19), University of Mysore (UoM) Registrar Prof. Lingaraja Gandhi chief guest, Speech Pathologist and Senior Theatre Artiste from Mysuru Indira Nair guest of honour, JSS Institute of Speech and Hearing Director Dr. N.P. Nataraja presides, Sri Rajendra Bhavan, M.G. Road, **4.30 pm.**

Rangayana, Mysuru and Prasara Bharati of Mysuru Akashavani: World Theatre Day celebrations, 'Ranga Banuli' programme, airing of play 'Bapujiya Ah Murida Hallu,' senior theatre person N. Nagachandra special invitee, Sriranga auditorium, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**

Avadhoota Datta Peetham: Discourse on 'Srimad Bhagavatha Dashama Skanda' by Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji, Ganapathy Ashrama premises, Mysuru-Ooty Road, **7 pm to 9 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (MAR.27)

Rangayana: World Theatre Day celebrations, Seminar on 'Theatre' and Bharatiya Ranga Shikshana Kendra annual theatre festival, senior theatre artistes Shashidhar Bharighat, Sripad Bhat and Channakeshava chief guests, **10 am;** Staging of Kuvempu's play 'Chandrahasa,' **12 noon;** Staging of Kalidasa Mahakavi's 'Nenapadalu Shakuntale,' **3 pm;** Staging of Maxim Gorky's play 'E Kelaginavaru,' Rangayana premises, **7 pm.**

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Nehru Yuva Kendra, Mysuru and Sneha Spandana Mahila Mandali, Kuvempunagar: International Women's Day celebrations, District Youth Co-ordinator M.N. Nataraj inaugurates, Sneha Spandana Mahila Mandali President Vijaya Radhakrishna presides, felicitation to Sumithra Ramesh (social service), Geetha Srinivas (social service) and Devaki Madhav (psychology), Youth Hostel, opposite Maruthi Temple, T.K. Layout, Saraswathipuram, **11.30 am.**

Mysuru District Amateur Theatre Artistes Forum: World Theatre Day celebrations, 'Rangothsava-2019,' thinker and former Chairman of Janapada Academy Prof. Kalegowda Nagawara inaugurates, Forum President H.S. Suresh Babu presides, Kannada & Culture Assistant. Director H. Channappa guest, felicitation to Rajyotsava awardee Prof. C. Sarvamangala and Nataka Academy Award recipients Gangadhara Swamy and Mime Ramesh, **6 pm;** Staging of play 'Yahudi Hudugi' by Rangayana, Mysuru; Directed by Bhagirathi Bai Kadam; Originally by Aga Hashr Kashmiri; Translated to Kannada by Itagi Eranna, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **7 pm.**

Natana School of Theatre Arts: World Theatre Day celebrations, staging of play 'Shudrakana Mruchchakatika,' Music University VC Nagesh V. Bettakote inaugurates, Industrialist and art patron Guru and cultural thinker Tukaram chief guests, felicitation to professional theatre artist Juleka Begam and amateur artiste Dhananjaya, writer Shweta Madappadi reads out World Theatre Day message, School premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **6 pm.**

IIM Kozhikode: Workshop on 'Leadership 4.0' by Prof. Debashis Chatterjee, Director, IIM Kozhikode, Yaduveer Wadiyar inaugurates, Hotel Radisson Blu Plaza, **6 pm to 9.30 pm.**

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